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FROM TENNESSEE.

LEBANON, TENN., Nov. 12.

Editor of the News:
Hu rah for Beckham.
If you will allow us, we will give you a slight idea of college life. We rise at 6 a. m. have breakfast at 7 a. m., chapel at 8 a. m., and then we are in school from 8:30 a. m. until 1 p. m. We then make a rush for the mail, next for dinner, then go walking, then back to our rooms to remain until supper, which is at 6:30 p. m. We then have study hall from 7 p. m. until 9 p. m., and the light bell rings at 9:30, and of course we all board the train for "Slumber Town."

Lebanon is a very classical old town; is called the "Athens of the South" on account of educational advantages. Of course the buildings are not all built on the modern style, but it is the prettiest, and most level situation of any the Tennessee towns, that we have seen.

The L. C. Y. L., Castle Heights, Cumberland University and the Dormitory are the buildings of most importance. Our college is a large stone building, four stories high, situated on North Cumberland Street, about two blocks from the square. The square is the lowest place in Wilson county. Just opposite this building is the first Cumberland Church. It is a very old building, but is of great interest to the Cumberland Presbyterians.

We attend Sunday school and services regular on Sundays. Our pastor is Rev. E. E. Morris.
Dean Henry, of the Theological Seminary, has been conducting the services in the Chapel for two weeks, and every girl but one in the building has become a Christian.

We have several different nationalities represented in our school. We have all kinds of girls, from every State in the United States. Two from our sister republic, Mexico; one from far off Japan, who was adopted by one of our foreign missionaries to that country.

We firmly believe that we sustain the reputation of our fair and beloved State, "Old Kentucky."

Our Faculty is composed of twenty teachers, one of whom is the granddaughter of the founder of our Church. Mrs. Powell, one of Adair's estimable and accomplished ladies, is matron; Miss Mary Grissom, daughter of Dr. W. T. Grissom, of Bliss, is assistant music teacher, and Miss Lavinia Sandridge, daughter of Rev. W. H. O. Sandridge, graduates in Art next June.

Well, I guess we are needed in study hall, so will bid adieu to all Adair county friends.

Respectfully,
CLARA,
KATE,
MARGARET.

THE "AD" THAT FAILED.

Three drummers met a small country hotel. They were sitting on the porch swapping lies when a farmer drove up.

"None of you fellows is a preacher, I suppose?" he asked.

None of them was. The farmer continued:
"You see, my hired man's dead. The regular minister's out of town, and I don't want to put the poor fellow away without no religious doin's of any kind, so I thought as how maybe one of you might help me out."

It finally was decided that the drummer for win' dills should say something for the "late lamented." The landlord took them out in his wagon that afternoon. A cheap coffin stood on two chairs. Several farmers were around. The windmill man braced up. He pitched a tune for us. Then he said:

"My friends, death is sad. But, sad as it is, it must come to all. Hardly was our friend here prepared for death, when along came—
—he took to his bed. He had been carrying water for the stock from a long ways off. The exertion pulled him down. Had his farm been supplied with one of

'None-Can-Beat-It' windmills, this man's life would—

"Hold up a bit," interrupted the farmer. "I've got that very kind of a windmill, an' if the pesky thing hadn't got out of order an' fell down on Jim he'd be here alive now. Proceed, brother, but like as not you'd better skip windmills. Say somethin' 'bout the good die young, an' so on."

But the windmill man led off with the doxology and had the thing done in three minutes.

UP-TO-DATE FARMING.

In the northern part of Perry valley lies a large level tract of land where the Kerr brothers, Charles and Tom, are practicing their up-to-date methods of farming, only raising grain instead of grass. Here any day may be seen a huge engine devouring about seven barrels of oil every twelve hours dragging a combined harvester through eighty to one hundred acres of grain each day, and leaving a trail of grain sacks all threshed, sacked and ready for shipment. To do this, but seven men are required where 18 to 20 are used in the stationary outfits, and about fifty head of horses on each combined harvester, saving about fifty per cent on the cost of horses. The indicated horse power of "Old Barney" is 125 but the actual working horse power is about 50.

When the harvest season is over "Old Barney" is "hitched up" to 96 disc plows, and later in the season after the rains have come, to 56 gang plows, plowing a strip of land 41 feet in width and covering about 200 acres or more per day, often times the plowing is done by night as well as day. But the striking feature of this method of farming lies in the economy with which it is done. It is said that one acre of land can be put in grain with the discs, exclusive of seed, for 7 cents, with the plows for 10 cents, and can be harvested for 60 cents, and when the work stops no hungry horses are left to eat their heads off.

The Kerr brothers have about 4,500 acres in grain near Perry this year; under the management of Tom Kerr, while Charles Kerr is superintending some 6,000 acres at Merced. Their wheat in Perry valley is running from 7 to 10 sacks per acre and from 4,500 acres some 40,000 sacks are expected. When this is figured at the present price of grain it looks like a small fortune might be realized from a single crop—Perry Progress Cal.

HOSSES SHOD BY GIRL.

At the little village of Pilot Oak, Ky., lives the only woman blacksmith, perhaps in the South. Her name is Miss Clara Medlin, and she could hardly be called a woman, since she is only 18 years of age. For more than a year she has been doing the work of a farrier and blacksmith in her father's shop at Pilot Oak, and does not seem, it is said, to regard her occupation as unusual for one of her sex. Although wonderfully strong and agile, Miss Medlin is decidedly pretty and well formed. Her hands have a grip that an athlete would envy, but they are neither coarse nor large. She has jet black hair and dancing black eyes.

Miss Medlin, it is said, can shoe a horse or weld a tire with ease and dexterity and has thoroughly mastered her business in every detail. In addition to her other accomplishments she can paint and stripe a buggy equal to any carriage painter and can go into the kitchen and prepare a meal that would tempt the appetite of the most confirmed dyspeptic. Miss Medlin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Medlin, of Pilot Oak, and comes of good family. She began learning to be a blacksmith in 1902. Notwithstanding the life she follows, she is a very womanly, modest girl, and popular among the village belles and beaux.—Madisonville Hustler.

CANT TELL WHERE HE'S GOING.

Congressman John Rhea tells a story of a constituent who had three boys, each of whom wanted a bicycle. The father could afford to buy only one, but said that the boy who could select the best name for the machine could have it. One called it George Washington, after the father of his country. No 2 selected the name of Abraham Lincoln, which still better pleased his father, a Union veteran. The youngest boy had great trouble with his trial ride on the wheel, being unable to steer it readily. When he was asked to choose a name he went to a watering trough, sprinkled some water

on the bicycle and said: "I christen you Theodore Roosevelt, because nobody can tell where you're going next." He got the wheel. Congressman Rhea told this story in order to illustrate something he was saying.

DREAM OF WEALTH.

The Floridian knows when he is rich, and so he is happier in his wealth than a millionaire. King Edward is a poor slave beside him. The Florida Times-Union says that there is much philosophic contentment in Florida, and tells a story to substantiate the statement.

When the phosphate boom was young a speculator paid one of these contented Florida folk sixteen thousand dollars for a tract of land the native had tried to sell for five hundred. The sum conveyed only a vague impression to the mind of the fortunate man. What he wanted was the cash in hand.

"Don't do that. Leave it in the bank and tell me what you want."

He wanted a farm of sixty acres with a house on it—the whole to cost a few hundred.

"What else?"

"Can I have a horse and saddle and bridle?"

"Certainly."

"And a rifle?"

"Yes."

"And some provisions?"

"Yes."

His eyes began to bulge. There was a pause.

"What else do you want?"

"Oh, give me fifty dollars for the old woman to buy things for herself and the children."

"What else?"

"Is there more yet?"

"Yes."

"Well, give me a plug of tobacco an' set me down where the fish will bite all day, an' you can have the rest."

NOT SO BAD.

W. H. Bagley, of Raleigh, N. C., a brother of Ensign Worth Bagley, killed in the Spanish American war, tells of a Tarheel farmer who was inclined to look on the bright side of things, says the New York Times.

"The man was at work on land so poor that you couldn't raise your hat on it, when a stranger passed," said Mr. Bagley, "and asked him about the crop prospects. The farmer seemed to be depressed and finally the stranger expressed sympathy with him and his condition."

"This nettled the farmer and he said: 'See here, stranger, I ain't so blamed bad off as you think, I don't own this here farm.'"

FIRE AT HUSTONVILLE.

Stanford, Ky., Nov. 17.—The worst fire Hustonville ever had occurred last night, when the business portion of it was almost entirely destroyed.

About 6 o'clock the well-known Weatherford Hotel was struck by lightning and that building was burned. The fire spread to Weatherford & Myers' store and that, the telephone office, Myers & Phillips' millinery store and Gillock's barber shop went up in flames.

Across the street the fire spread and Adams' drug store, Alford's livery stable, Baughman & McCormack's store, Adams' residence and Greenleaf's store house were wiped out of existence. The Vendome Hotel across the street caught and that and the store room adjoining went up in ashes.

Some of the contents of the buildings were ruined by rain, which was falling in torrents. Yowell's store and the bank were considerably damaged. The loss is fully \$35,000, with practically no insurance.

OLD STATISTICS.

The banking capital of New York city has been doubled within the last five years.

The convicts in the Ohio penitentiary now number 1,456 against 2,566 in hard times.

Nearly one-third of the 381,000 inhabitants of Cleveland, Ohio, were born in Europe.

More than ten thousand dollars worth of sporting goods were sold in the United States last year.

French is the language of more than a million of the three and a half millions of Canadians.

The United States Treasury holds three and nine-tenths times as much gold as the Bank of England.

A BECOMING DELIBERATION.

The Constitution commends the apparent disposition of the democrats in congress, those in the south in particular, for acting with becoming deliberation before taking position upon the Panama situation. It is better all ways in a matter of such grave national importance as our relation to Panama are than to go off half-cocked and do things that either must afterward be undone or followed to certain and humiliating defeat.

If, in consideration of this weighty affair, it shall be shown beyond doubt that President Roosevelt and his cabinet have fomented and illegally produced the present status on the isthmus that finding will be a tremendous point against trusting them longer in their present condition and power.

But when it comes to dealing with and independent new nation, established for reasons and on principles that no rational democrat can deny to any people's decision, the democrats of the United States cannot afford to abandon those principles and our international obligations in order to raise a hot pursuit of a partisan fox.

The action passing in Panama affects some of the supreme rights and gravest future interest of the American people. And it is to the temper of the people and not to the mutilation of a map that the democratic leaders must look for signals of their plan of campaign. When they do that they will find that people of all parties and classes want a free Panama and an American isthmian canal—and will have them—Atlanta Constitution.

STATEHOOD FOR OKLAHOMA.

Single or double statehood is always a burning issue in the territories of Oklahoma and Indian Territory. The Washington politicians of both parties have from the beginning favored single statehood for both while the territories themselves the preponderant sentiment in each has been for double statehood. The best interest of both seems to lie logically and strongly in that direction.

Oklahoma has over four hundred thousand people, ten times more than Nevada, while the Indian Territory has nearly six hundred thousand, or fifteen times the Nevada population. It seems, at first blush, that the people of the two territories ought to be homogenous and contented as citizens of the same state, but they are not themselves of that mind. The Oklahomans are independent pioneers who invaded their land under Captain Payne and forced the government to divide the territory and give them a territorial autonomy, and a delegate in congress. Indian Territory is owned by the Five Nations of Indians, white men are there by sufferance and such as own land are squawmers, the husbands of Indian women. They know nothing by study and experience of any other than tribal governments and Indian customs, but there are plenty of white men there who would run a state government all right enough.

Oklahoma would have been a state ten years ago had it not been for Grover Cleveland who swore with a great big D that he would never put his fish line autograph to a bill that would put "two more silver lunatics in the United States senate." That objection being no longer valid Oklahoma, at least deserves speedy statehood.—Atlanta Constitution.

THE NEW REPUBLIC.

Panama revolted last week and seceded from the union with the Republic of Columbia declaring independence and the de facto government now in control has declared itself the Republic of Panama and furthermore has been officially recognized by the United States. The reasons for revolt as given was on account of the failure of the Colombian Congress to ratify the Panama canal treaty with this country which was a great disappointment to the latter people who desired this country to build the canal through the isthmus. This revolution means fighting, already Colombia has 7,000 men on the march towards Panama with the expectation of whipping her back into the union, but Panama says she is ready and willing to fight and this means a clash between the two when they meet. It is said the powerful Panama canal lobby is back of all this devilment and would like to see the annexation of Panama. They want to seal their rights in the proposed canal to Uncle Sam for forty millions.

SENTENCE SERMONS.

There is no Godliness without manliness.

Self-love is not the same as self respect.

That cannot be manly which is not moral.

The Bible promises no leaves to the loafer.

He who would be a leader must go before.

Slander is always most dirty at the handle.

Clean work cannot be done with dirty tools.

The man without reverence cannot win respect.

Only an enemy will judge a man by his failures.

A man's virtue does not depend on his vocabulary.

The Father of mercies likes to see mercy in his children.

A demonstration of religion is better than any definition.

There is nothing more slippery than a smooth smile.

There is no pedestal that suits the devil better than a pulpit.

There are many churches in which the preacher is only a gas fixture.

You cannot glean in the fields of sin without picking up the burrs of sorrow.

Leading one man may be a much greater thing than leading a meeting.

It takes a man a long time to realize that God is not waiting for his advice.

No man ever yet went out looking for misery who came home without it.

A man believes in the ultimate good of all things until some one steals his chickens.—Chicago Tribune.

BETTER THAN A REVOLVER.

Every Broadway car was crowded to the aisles and platforms. Conductors and motormen seemed to think they had enough passengers on board, and the pretty girl who stood at the Duane St. Corner found her frantic signals unavailing. The cars sailed by with the motormen's eyes fixed steadily ahead.

"Do you want a car miss?" asked a policeman with the propensities of a son of Anak.

"Of course," came the tearful reply, "but they won't stop."

"We'll see about that," said the blue coat giant.

He resumed his work of accelerating the traffic, but kept his eye on an approaching car. At a majestic wave of his hand the autocrat at the controller brought the car to a standstill and the young woman got aboard.

"Gracious!" she exclaimed as she wedged into the crowd, "I believe I'll ask for a permit to carry a policeman next time I want to ride on a Broadway car."—New York Press.

The negro question is steadily overshadowing all other political questions and in 1904 will be the leading issue. It is a question that is inviting discussion in Republican as well as Democratic ranks and will continue to press for settlement until it is satisfactorily disposed of. As evidence that it is not solely a question uppermost in the minds of the Southern whites, but ramifies the whites in the Republican party, the Times-Journal copies the following letter written by a serious minded, thinking Republican, and written to and published, on Wednesday, November 11, by the Louisville Herald, the organ of that party in Kentucky. The Herald dignifies the letter by a conspicuous position on its editorial page without protest against its political trend. The conclusion the Republican who wrote it reaches is that which cannot be successfully disputed and to which all sober minded Republicans and Democrats must in time give adhesions.

Every intelligent citizen should read and study the written conclusions—Warren County Courier.

Arthur Goebel, brother of the late Gov. William Goebel, will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for Congress in the Sixth district, is the announcement made by L. W. Arnett, his friend. There has been some pressure by anti-Pugh men to have him enter the race. It is understood that Congressman D. Linn Goebels wants a re-nomination.

Fire almost wiped out the village of New Richmond, Mich.

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